GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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CORRUPTION IN DDA
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has admitted in the Standing Committee Meetings held recently that there is rempant corruption in the DDA;

(b) if so, the number of such cases came to light in each wing of the DDA during each of the last three years and the action taken by the government in these cases;

(c) whether the Government propose to restructure the DDA in order to eliminate corruption there;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the scheme of restructuring the DDA is likely to be completed and implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a)&(b): The nexus between unauthorised constructions and corruption in local bodies was referred to in the Standing Committee meetings held recently. Govt. has been emphasising the need to step up action against corruption through both preventive and enforcement measures and bring in greater transparency and accountability.

DDA has reported that during the last three years, i.e. 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, cases against 31 officials were registered by CBI, Economic Offence Wing,Crime Branch, Delhi Police and ACB, Government of NCT, Delhi.During this period disciplinary proceedings were initiated against 285 officials for various departmental lapses. Major penalty was imposed on 148 officials and minor penalty on 228 officials.

(c)to(e): Administrative restructuring of DDA is being contemplated so as to make the Authority more result-oriented.